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COVID-19 Resources

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Catalyst is sending weekly emails every Friday to share resources with our partners. These are meant to be a digest of the latest news and resources regarding COVID-19.

Catalyst has also launched a [COVID-19 resource page](#) on our website. There, you can find a full list of resources, as well as past weekly summaries. Check back on the page often, and follow Catalyst on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to stay up-to-date.

Clinical Resources

- [Safety-Net FAQ](#) (Dr. McAllister Castelez)

This is an FAQ for providers and safety net clinic employees. It answers questions about COVID-19, including what to do in dental clinics in Virginia, and how to keep patients and employees safe.

- [Minimally Invasive Treatments for Dental Emergencies](#) (Dr. McAllister Castelez)

This resource lists different methods of treating various dental emergencies without using aerosols or surgery and includes recommendations for each method.

- [Dental Emergency Workflow](#) (Dr. Scott Wolpin)

This workflow was created to determine if a patient is having a dental emergency, and the steps to take when providing care.

- [ADHA COVID-19 Resource Center](#) (American Dental Hygienist Association – ADHA)

The ADHA COVID-19 resource center includes advocacy information, clinical resources, and an FAQ section. It is continually updated with new information.

- [Executive Order Limiting Dental Care](#)

Governor Ralph Northam issued a statewide order postponing elective surgeries and dental care. Of note, Executive Order of Public Emergency Two:

- Restricts dental offices to emergency-only care as discussed in the ADA guidance
- Restrictions end on 24 April 2020
- Considers safety of clinical staff and patients
- Does not mandate other restrictions (e.g., treatment in negative pressure isolation rooms)

More information on what constitutes a dental emergency can be found through the [ADA guidelines](#) and through the Catalyst Patient Guidance Forms available in both [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

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- [Pediatric Practice Management Tips During COVID-19 Pandemic](#) (American Academy of Pediatrics - AAP)
The AAP has shared tips for pediatric practices during COVID-19. The website includes information on small business loans, unemployment, FMLA and OSHA guidelines, telehealth, staffing concerns, and workflow.

- [Interim US Guidance for Risk Management and Public Health Management of Healthcare Personnel with Potential Exposure in a Healthcare Setting to Patients with Coronavirus Disease](#) (Centers for Disease Control - CDC)
The CDC is updating this webpage with guidance for public health professionals regarding COVID-19. It includes definitions of risk categories as well as recommendations for exposure management.

- [Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19](#) (Occupational Safety and Health Administration - OSHA)
This guide from OSHA includes recommendations and descriptions of mandatory safety and health standards and includes information on exposure risk management for employees.

Policy Resources

Join the Catalyst Grassroots Advocacy Team [here](#) to ensure policies related to COVID-19 meet the overall health and oral health needs of Virginians.

Stimulus Package Resources:

- Stimulus Phase One: Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act includes extra funding for government agencies: CDC, FDA, NIH, SBA (Small Business Association), and USAID (United States Agency of International Development). It includes \$4 billion to make more coronavirus tests available and \$1 billion in loan subsidies for small businesses.

- Stimulus Phase Two: Families First Coronavirus Response Act includes among other things:

- A temporary 6.2% increase in the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) for state Medicaid programs.
- Coverage for COVID-19 testing with no cost-sharing across public health insurance programs.
- Provides states with the option to extend Medicaid eligibility to uninsured individuals.
- Requires (most) employers to provide paid emergency family leave to employees.

Our friends at the National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL) have created an in-depth analysis [here](#).

- Stimulus Phase Three: Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act is expected to be signed into law as early as today (Friday). This act is a massive spending bill with many details, to help make sense of it, NCSL has shared an in-depth analysis, available [here](#). Of note:

- Nonprofits with 500 or fewer employees will be eligible for loans of up to \$10 million, with expedited loans of up to \$1 million available for payroll, including paid leave, as well as health-insurance premiums, facilities costs, and debt service. Nonprofits that keep their employees on the payroll from February 15 to June 30 could have their loans forgiven.

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\$140.4 billion for HHS (Department of Health and Human Services), this includes \$100 billion for grants to hospitals, Medicaid and Medicare suppliers, and health clinics.

More details about how the stimulus impacts nonprofits are available [here](#) from our friends at the Chronicle of Philanthropy.

As we all adjust to our temporary new normal check out [this webinar](#) from the National Network for Oral Health Access on combatting burnout.

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